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SUBJECT: RECOMMENDED ISSUANCE OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT TO
DIRECTORS OF US EXHIBITS AT LEIPZIG SPRING FAIR

1. THE EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT A DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT BE ISSUED
TO DAVID KOSAKOFF, USIA EMPLOYEE WHO IS PROJECT OFFICER AND WHO
WILL SERVE AS DIRECTOR OF THE U.S. BICENTENNIAL EXHIBIT IN THE NATIONAL

PAVILION AT THE LEIPZIG SPRING FAIR TO BE HELD IN MARCH 1976. THE
DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT SHOULD BE VALID FOR THE DURATION OF MR. KOSAKOFF'S
TDY ASSIGNMENT IN THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC.

2. MR. KOSAKOFF CURRENTLY HOLDS AN OFFICIAL PASSPORT AND DURING HIS
RECENT VISIT TO BERLIN AND THE GDR, THIS PRESENTED THE EMBASSY WITH
THE USUAL DIFFICULTIES DUE TO HIS NEED TO DO BUSINESS IN WEST BERLIN
AND
THE RESULTANT NECESSITY OF DRIVING HIM FIFTY MILES AROUND BERLIN TO
AVOID CONTROL AND STAMPING OF HIS PASSPORT AT THE WALL (CHECKPOINT
CHARLIE).

3. SINCE MR. KOSAKOFF WILL HAVE TO DO A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF
BUSINESS IN WEST BERLIN DURING HIS ASSIGNMENT TO THE LEIPZIG
FAIR, INCLUDING TRANSFER OF EXHIBIT MATERIALS FROM THE " GREEN
WEEK" EXHIBIT TO LEIPZIG, PROCUREMENT OF RENTAL FURNITURE COMMERCIALY
AND OF SUPPORT ITEMS FROM THE U.S. MISSION, THE EMBASSY BELIEVES
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THAT THE TEMPORARY ISSUANCE OF A DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT WOULD PRESENT

THE BEST SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF AVOIDIN CONTROL OF AN OFFICIAL
PASSPORT BEARER AT THE WALL.

4. A SIMILAR SITUATION EXISTS IN THE CASE OF HENNING VONTILLIUS
OF THE EAST-WEST TRADE CENTER CENTER IN VIENNA
WHO WILL SERVE AS DIRECTOR
OF THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT EXHIBIT IN HALL 10, AND FOR WHOM THE
EMBASSY ALSO RECOMMENDS ISSUANCE OF A DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT FOR
THE DURATION OF HIS TDY ASSIGNMENT IN THE GDR.GROVE

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